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BOWLING GREEN DRUG DEALER SENTENCED TO 5 YEARS' IMPRISONMENT FOR SELLING COCAINE AND CRACK COCAINE

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that **THADDEUS JOHNSON**, age 23, of 1529 Audubon Drive, Bowling Green, Kentucky, **was sentenced** to 5 years imprisonment for distributing five grams or more of crack cocaine and distributing cocaine in Bowling Green. United States District Judge Thomas B. Russell also imposed supervised release for a period of 5 years following **Johnson's** release from prison. **There is no parole in the federal judicial system. Johnson** had previously pled guilty to the drug charges in September this year.

According to court records and **Johnson's** guilty plea hearing, on July 27, 2005, **Johnson** distributed approximately 27 grams of powder cocaine to a Bowling Green/Warren County Drug Task Force confidential informant in Bowling Green, Kentucky. On August 19, 2006, **Johnson** distributed approximately 10 grams of crack cocaine to a Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) confidential informant in Bowling Green, Kentucky. The street value of the drugs in this matter is approximately \$3,700.00.

Assistant United States Attorney Jo E. Lawless prosecuted the case. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and the Bowling Green / Warren County Drug Task Force conducted the investigation.

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